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City Prepares for Snow: Safety Guidelines and Parking Restrictions

WAUKESHA, Wis. - The City of Waukesha Public Works Department is preparing for the predicted winter storm. As the crews will be working to clear the roads, the community is asked to remember the following:

Overnight Parking Requirements: Vehicles may only be parked on City streets from 2 a.m. -5 a.m. with night parking permits and need to follow the even and odd rules for parking on the streets.

City ordinance 7.04 (6)(d): Vehicles with overnight-parking permits shall be parked on the even-numbered side of the street on the even-numbered days and on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd-numbered days, except on streets where parking is permitted on only one side at any time. The date at 2 a.m. to 5 a.m. shall determine the even or the odd number of the day.

If you do not need to park in the road, please avoid doing so.

Slow Down and Give Plows Space: When it snows, everyone is asked to slow down, use caution and leave plenty of space between yourself and other drivers. Plow trucks also need space as they make frequent stops, starts and turns.

Do Not Place Snow in the Roadway: When removing snow from your property, it may not be placed in the City roadway. All sidewalks in front of your home or business should be cleared and kept clear within 12 hours after the snow has stopped falling.

Clear Hydrants: Please remember to clear the snow around the fire hydrants on your street. This will allow crews to easily be able to access them in an emergency. In addition, please also help by clearing bus stops and curb ramps near your home to assist all members of our community.

Be Patient: During the storm, crews will be out working. They start with main streets, hills, intersections, bus routes, railroad crossings and school areas. Once those are cleaned, they move on to flat streets, cul-de-sacs and alleyways. They will get to all areas. Please be patient.

The City Public Works Department will continue to monitor the winter storm as it develops. If conditions warrant, the City may declare a snow emergency as detailed in the Municipal Code ([City ordinance 7.06](#)) which would restrict parking on all City streets. The purpose of a snow emergency would be to make sure that the City snow plow vehicles are able to fully clear the road and to make it passable for emergency vehicles.

If a snow emergency is declared or if there are any updates on the winter storm, the City will send an additional press release and will have updates on the City's website and social media accounts.

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